

REMARKS

In the above referenced case, claims 129-131 are pending. Applicant will sequentially address the issues raised by the Examiner.

I. The 35 U.S.C. §103 Rejections

Claims 129-131 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Kurematsu et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,153,752 (“KUREMATSU”) in view of Konno, U.S. Patent No. 4,497,015 (“KONNO”).

Claims 129-131 have been amended to recite “altering (means for altering) the selected predetermined orientation of the chosen component of the electric field vectors ... by passing the plurality of portions of each of the separate primary color beams of light through a respective one of the liquid crystal light valves in a single direction ....”

KUREMATSU discloses a projector that implements the reflective type LCDs so that light passes through the LCDs twice in two opposite directions.<sup>1</sup> The projector configuration disclosed in KUREMATSU would not work with non-reflective type LCDs (e.g., transmissive type, etc.).

Based on the foregoing amendments, claims 129-131 should be in condition for allowance.

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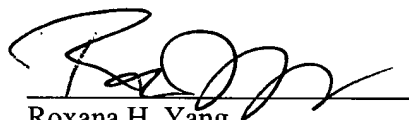
<sup>1</sup> “First to third liquid crystal panels 25R, 25G, and 25B of the reflection type ....” KUREMATSU, col. 5, lines 26-27.

II. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would help advance the prosecution of this case, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

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